

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows. This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-14 (Canceled)

15. (Currently amended) A housing for a ~~cabinet-like~~ household appliance, comprising a body and at least one door, which is connected to the body in a manner that enables it to swivel due to the provision of at least one first and one second multiple-articulation hinge, wherein the door is supported on an upper supporting surface of the first multiple-articulation hinge and a lower supporting surface of the second multiple-articulation hinge by means of at least one shim inserted between the door and at least one of the supporting surfaces.
16. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 15, wherein a plurality of shims is inserted between the supporting surfaces and the door.
17. (Currently amended) The housing according to claim 15, wherein the supporting surfaces are arranged on a support element which is disposed on a ~~[[the]]~~ hinge arm of the first multiple-articulation hinge and second multiple-articulation hinge which is coupled to the door.
18. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 15, wherein the shims have a rectangular basic outline and are made of a plastic injection molding.
19. (Currently amended) The housing according to claim 15, wherein a heat-insulating body of the door is arranged between the supporting surfaces of the

multiple-articulation hinges ~~hinge~~ and the multiple-articulation hinges are concealed behind edge sections of the door projecting over the body.

20. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 15, wherein an outer wall of the door is formed by a glass pane.
21. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 15, wherein the supporting surface is connected to the door by means of at least one screw on at least one of the multiple-articulation hinges.
22. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 21, wherein the screw extends through an oblong hole of the supporting surface.
23. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 22, wherein the oblong hole is aligned parallel to the door.
24. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 23, wherein the multiple-articulation hinge has a first lug connected to the supporting surface and the door has a second lug opposite to the first lug which is aligned perpendicular to the alignment of the oblong hole and is provided with holes for receiving a screw which are aligned to one another.
25. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 24, wherein one of the holes is a tapped hole.
26. (Currently amended) The housing according to claim 24, wherein another ~~an other~~ hole of the holes is a vertically aligned oblong hole.

27. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 24, wherein the second lug is a part of a component screwed onto the door.
28. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 27, wherein the shims are dimensioned so as to extend as far as between the component and the door when mounted between the supporting surface of one multiple-articulation hinge and the door.
29. (Previously Presented) A refrigerator comprising:
a housing including a body and a door;
first and second multiple-articulation hinges coupling the door to the body in a manner that enables the door to swivel, wherein the door is supported with an upper supporting surface of the first multiple-articulation hinge and a lower supporting surface of the second multiple-articulation hinge; and
at least one shim removably inserted between the door and one of the supporting surfaces permitting the door to be adjusted in a vertical direction with respect to the body.
30. (Previously Presented) The refrigerator according to claim 29, further comprising a plurality of shims removably inserted between the supporting surfaces and the door, the position of the door with respect to the body being adjustable in a vertical direction in response to the number of shims disposed between the supporting surfaces and the door.
31. (Previously Presented) The refrigerator according to claim 29, further comprising a mounting bracket coupled between the first multiple-articulation hinge and the door and permitting the door to be adjusted in a horizontal direction with respect to the body.

32. (Previously presented) The refrigerator according to claim 31, wherein the mounting bracket comprises:
a support element connected to the first multiple-articulation hinge and including a support surface and a lug having a first tapped hole;
an angled element having a vertical leg disposed adjacent the lug and a horizontal leg being disposed substantially co-planar with the support surface;
a first set screw extending through the vertical leg and threadedly engaging the first tapped hole, the position of the door with respect to the body being continuously adjustable in the horizontal direction in response to rotation of the first set screw.
33. (Previously Presented) The refrigerator according to claim 32, wherein the vertical leg of the angled element includes a second tapped hole, a second set screw threadedly engaging the second tapped hole and extending beyond the angled element to contact a surface of the lug, the position of the door with respect to the body being continuously adjustable in the horizontal direction in response to rotation of the second set screw.
34. (Previously presented) The housing according to claim 15, wherein the at least one shim inserted between the door and the at least one of the supporting surfaces causes the door to be adjusted in a vertical direction with respect to the body.
35. (Currently amended) A housing for a ~~cabinet-like~~ household appliance, comprising:
a body;
at least one door coupled to the body in a manner that enables the at least one door to swivel with respect to the body, the at least one door being vertically adjustable with respect to the body;

at least one first multiple-articulation hinge, wherein a lower end of the door is supported on an upper supporting surface of the first multiple-articulation hinge;

at least one second multiple-articulation hinge, wherein an upper end of the door is supported by a lower supporting surface of the second multiple-articulation hinge; and

at least one shim between the lower end of the door and the upper supporting surface of the first multiple-articulation hinge, and the upper end of the door and the lower supporting surface of the second multiple-articulation hinge, the at least one shim vertically adjusting a position of the door with respect to the body.

36. (Previously presented) The housing according to claim 35, wherein the at least one shim includes a plurality of shims,

wherein at least one first shim of the plurality of shims is between the lower end of the door and the upper supporting surface of the first multiple-articulation hinge, and

wherein at least one second shim of the plurality of shims is between the upper end of the door and the lower supporting surface of the second multiple-articulation hinge.

37. (Previously presented) The housing according to claim 36, wherein the plurality of shims includes a predetermined total number of shims between the lower end of the door and the upper supporting surface of the first multiple-articulation hinge, and the upper end of the door and the lower supporting surface of the second multiple-articulation hinge.

38. (Previously presented) The housing according to claim 37, wherein a number of the at least one first shim of the plurality of shims is different than a number of the at least one second shim of the plurality of shims.